

HOUSE MAY TAKE SEPARATE RECESS

SENATE'S PLAN TO ADJOURN SPECIAL SESSION ON NOVEMBER 10 LOOKS DARK.

TREATY FIGHT A DRAWBACK

Industrial Crisis Promises to Receive Much Attention in Congress This Week—Thomas Strike Resolution to Be Given Consideration.

Washington, D. C.—Although senate leaders hope to expedite the German peace treaty this week by disposal of amendments and by beginning consideration of reservations, both houses will convene with decreasing prospects of adjourning the special session by November 10, as leaders have hoped. In view of prospective delay on the treaty, house leaders discussed plans for a separate recess of the lower body without waiting for the senate.

In addition to the treaty, the industrial crisis, intensified by the threatened coal strike late this week, also promises to receive much attention in congress this week. The strike of bituminous coal miners will come up for early discussion on the pending resolution of Senator Thomas, democrat, of Colorado, proposing drastic action by the government. Further consideration of the strike may come through the senate interstate commerce subcommittee's investigation of the coal situation. Also late this week the senate labor committee plans as a result of its inquiry into the steel strike to present a report containing constructive recommendations, both for immediate action and future legislation.

To Debate Johnson Proposals.

The treaty fight in the senate still hinges on the Johnson-Moses amendments to equalize voting power in the league of nations. Debate on the amendments will be resumed with a vote expected in a few days. The remainder of the week, it is expected, will be given over to disposition of many individual amendments which have been prepared, probably deferring actual consideration of reservations until next week.

Both senate and house Tuesday will receive King Albert, of Belgium.

Three bills probably will be sent to the president by congress this week—those extending passport restrictions against anarchists and other radicals, increasing pay of postal employees, and containing the first deficiency appropriation. Progress on other legislation is planned, the house being expected to pass the senate oil and coal land leasing bill.

YANK STILL A PRISONER.

The Demand of Mexico May Bring Jenkins' Freedom.

Washington, D. C.—Acting on instructions from the state department, the American embassy at Mexico city has demanded of the Mexican government that it effect the release of William O. Jenkins, American consular agent at Puebla, who is held by bandits for \$150,000 ransom. The American government insisted that, if necessary, the ransom be paid by Mexico.

Coincident with this announcement Senator Meyers, democrat, of Montana, introduced a resolution calling upon President Wilson to use the armed forces of the United States if necessary to bring about the release of Jenkins and to punish his captors. Action on the resolution was deferred on objection by Senator Smoot, republican, of Utah, to its immediate consideration.

No definite news concerning Jenkins has reached the state department. President Carranza has ordered the authorities at Mexico city to make every effort to bring about his release, and the Mexican foreign office has assured the American embassy that energetic action is being taken.

Will Try Again.

Washington, D. C.—President Wilson's cabinet decided to call a new conference to continue the effort to establish industrial peace. It will consist of fifteen of the most prominent Americans, without division into groups, and the cabinet will recommend nominations to the president.

To Police Hungary.

Paris.—Rumania has sent a proposal to Stephen Pichon, French foreign minister, suggesting the organization of Hungarian police so that Rumanian troops may be withdrawn from Budapest, according to the Eclair.

Strike Leader Says "Frameup."

New York.—Charges that he had "positive proof" that an effort was being made to "frame him" were made by William Z. Foster, secretary of the national committee for organizing iron and steel workers, at a mass meeting of the central federated union in Cooper union, called in sympathy with the steel strikers. "I make this statement now," said Mr. Foster, "so that if dynamite is later found in my possession you will know that it has been placed there by detectives who are following me at every step."

AID IS URGED FOR RED CROSS ABROAD

President Wilson Prepared Message Before Illness.

WORK YET TO BE COMPLETED

To Finance Operations and to Carry Out Constructive Plans in Eastern Europe, Organization Requires Increasing Membership.

Washington, D. C.—Before his present illness President Wilson prepared the following message, in which he urges the people of the United States to generously respond to the third roll call of the Red Cross:

As president of the United States and as president of the American Red Cross I recommend and urge a generous response to the Third Red Cross Roll Call, which opens on November the second with the observance of Red Cross Sunday and appropriately closes on November the eleventh, the first anniversary of the signing of the armistice.

Twenty million adults joined the Red Cross during the war, prompted by a patriotic desire to render service to their country and to the cause for which the United States was engaged in war. Our patriotism should stand the test of peace as well as the test of war, and it is an intelligently patriotic program which the Red Cross proposes, a continuance of service to our soldiers and sailors, who look to it for many things, and a transference to the problems of peace at home of the experience and methods which it acquired during the war.

Stress on Membership.

It is on membership more than money contributions that the stress of the present campaign is laid, for the Red Cross seeks to associate the people in welfare work throughout the land, especially in those communities where neither official nor unofficial provision has been made for adequate public health and social service.

It is in the spirit of democracy that the people should undertake their own welfare activities, and the National Red Cross wisely intends to exert upon community action a stimulating and co-ordinating influence and to place the energies of the organization behind all sound public health and welfare agencies.

The American Red Cross does not purpose indefinite prolongation of its relief work abroad, a policy which would lay an unjust burden upon our own people and tend to undermine the self-reliance of the peoples relieved, but there is a necessary work of completion to be performed before the American Red Cross can honorably withdraw from Europe. The congress of the United States has imposed upon the Red Cross a continuing responsibility abroad by authorizing the secretary of war to transfer to the American Red Cross such surplus army medical supplies and supplementary and dietary foodstuffs now in Europe as shall not be required by the army, to be used by the Red Cross to relieve the distress which continues in certain countries of Europe as a result of the war.

Program Deserves Support.

To finance these operations, to conduct work which was begun during the war, and to carry out some comparatively inexpensive constructive plans for assisting peoples in eastern Europe to develop their own welfare organizations, the American Red Cross requires, in addition to membership fees, a sum of money small in comparison with the gifts poured into its treasury by our generous people during the war.

Both the greater enduring domestic program and the lesser temporary foreign program of the Red Cross deserve enthusiastic support, and I venture to hope that its peace-time membership will exceed rather than fall below its impressive war membership.

WOODROW WILSON.

Two Mules.

A colored man driving a mule attached to a junk wagon mended along the Mission road. Suddenly the mule's feet took root. He "positively and absolutely" refused to budge. The darky, with a sigh, dismounted and tried all the arts of his race, from persuasion with a shovel handle to downright cruelty. For half an hour he worked, but the mule only remained glued fast to the road.

"Why don't you sell him and buy an auto, uncle?" called a cop who had been enjoying the fun.

"Huh!" growled the colored man. "That mule'd take that as a personal victory. He's been tryin' to shake me for a week. No, sir. Ah reckon Ah'll stick it out."

American Interests in China.

The Foochow branch of the American Association of China was recently formed. The new organization will largely care for American commercial interests, which are rapidly expanding in the Foochow consular district, and will take the place of an American chamber of commerce, the number of local Americans being too few to support a chamber of commerce.

Strict Business.

"Would you throw a tomato at that speaker?" asked a rough auditor. "No," replied the speaker; "not unless he paid for it in advance."

LOOK AT THAT LANDING NET!



FARMERS' SIDE GIVEN RAIL MEN TO FIGHT

TILLERS OF SOIL DEFENDED BY KANSAS SENATOR.

Demands Wider Market, and Asserts They Lose While Consumer Pays Higher Prices.

Washington, Oct. 23.—The farmers' side of the high cost of living question was presented to the senate by Senator Capper (Rep.) of Kansas, who declared that, while farmers are selling their products at a loss on declining markets, consumers are paying rising prices. Faulty distribution was blamed.

Illustrating the anomalous situation of farmers and consumers, Senator Capper said farmers are selling their wheat at a loss, adding:

"It takes four and a half bushels of wheat to make a barrel of flour. The wheat raiser gets about \$8.37 for the wheat; the miller, \$12.70; the baker, \$38.70, and the hotelkeeper here in Washington, as it is doled out in thin slices, \$587."

The government, through the grain corporation, said Senator Capper, profited \$23,000,000 at the expense of farmers last year, the farmer selling from 20 to 70 cents less than the guaranteed price.

"The situation of the live stock farmer is even more deplorable," he said. "Farmers are selling their grain feed beeves and hogs for less than it cost to produce them, but the consumer finds little or no change in the price of meat."

"Executive departments," he said, "should seek by every means at their command to open wider markets to the farmer by lifting the embargo on wheat and flour to Europe, by extending credits to European governments and by lowering ocean freight rates."

PRESIDENT SIGNS NEW BILLS

Prohibition Enforcement Measure is Still Before the Department of Justice.

Washington, Oct. 23.—President Wilson signed several bills recently passed by congress, Secretary Tumulty announced. The measures included the amendments to the food control bill designed to prevent hoarding of and profiteering in food and clothing. The prohibition enforcement bill still is before the department of justice for a decision as to its constitutionality.

The president has until midnight of October 28 to act on the prohibition bill. Should he not act by that time the measure automatically would become a law.

Unless President Wilson's executive activity of the last two days showed ill effects upon the patient, the prohibition enforcement bill with the department of justice's opinion on its constitutionality was to be laid before him some time today.

SMITH THIRD IN AIR RACE

Flyer Arrives at San Francisco—First to Return to Western Starting Point.

San Francisco, Oct. 22.—Capt. Lowell H. Smith, a Mather field entry in the army's transcontinental air derby, arrived here, being the first of the flyers who started from San Francisco to return here.

Passport Bill is Passed.

Washington, Oct. 24.—A bill extending war-time restrictions on passports for one year to exclude from the country radicals and other undesirable aliens was passed by the senate without a record vote.

Simple Services for Astor.

London, Oct. 24.—Simple funeral services were held in St. George's church for Viscount (William Waldorf) Astor. The rector of St. George's church, Rev. Francis Norman Thicknesse, officiated.

TRAINMEN WILL TRY TO ESTABLISH REFORMS.

War Planned to Force Roads Are Into Deal Before Roads Are Turned Back to Owners.

Washington, Oct. 23.—Railroad employees are prepared for a finish fight with the railroad administration for increased wages, time and a half for overtime and improved working conditions before the government surrenders the roads to private control.

Unmistakable notice to this effect has been served by Timothy Shea of the firemen, appearing before the board of railway wages and working conditions.

"If our demands for a living wage should not be met when the time approaches for turning back the railroads to their private owners," Mr. Shea said, in testimony, "we shall demand as a condition precedent to the change the realization of the fundamental rights of labor, the living wage, the eight-hour day on all federal controlled roads, time and one-half for overtime and other principles to which the government pledged itself during the war, which have now been made a part of the treaty of peace and which so far the railroad administration has never fulfilled."

While Mr. Shea was appearing on behalf of the firemen only, it has been recognized generally that wage increases for any one class of railroad employees meant an advance for all.

ROB OHIO BANK OF \$5,000

Bandits Hold Up Depository at Perrysburg and Escape With Loot.

Toledo, O., Oct. 23.—Bandits held up the Perrysburg Banking Company bank at Perrysburg, near here, and escaped with \$5,000.

NEWS FROM FAR AND NEAR

Paris, Oct. 22.—New designs have been made for French postage stamps, each being a sketch of some important event in the world war.

Stockholm, Oct. 23.—For the second time the presentation of the annual Nobel peace prizes will be postponed. The prizes for 1918 and 1919 are still to be awarded.

Oklahoma City, Oct. 22.—Resolutions opposing the granting by congress of further bonuses to discharged soldiers were adopted at a meeting of the American Legion of Oklahoma here.

Philadelphia, Oct. 23.—Ray Baker, director of the United States mints, said at a conference of assay experts here that all the mints in the country are turning out 75,000,000 pennies monthly and that there are now 3,500,000,000 in circulation.

Tulsa, Okla., Oct. 23.—J. T. McCoy, seventy-five, prominent oil man of Oil City, Pa., was killed when struck by a motor car near the home of his daughter, Mrs. F. A. Gillespie. Mr. McCoy was here to attend a family reunion. He has been an oil operator in the Pennsylvania oil fields for the past 50 years.

Battle in Russian Caucasus.

Constantinople, Turkey, Oct. 23.—Severe fighting is in progress in the vicinity of Zaughzur, in the Russian Caucasus, between Armenians and regular troops from Azerbaijan province, it is reported.

Four Killed in "L" Crash.

New York, Oct. 23.—Four persons were killed and several injured when a "Third Avenue elevated train" crashed into the rear end of another train, stalled between 175th and 176th streets.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF

Timely News Culled From All Parts of the State, Reduced for the Busy.

SCORES OF EVENTS COVERED

All legislation enacted by the special session of the legislature which convened at Lincoln October 8 and adjourned October 11, affected Omaha and Douglas county alone, the most important being a bill to provide county commissioners power to issue bonds to repair the court house and replace furniture and records destroyed in the recent riot, without submitting the bonds to a vote of the people. Other measures enacted give the city commissioners of Omaha the right to elect non-residents as chief of police, inspector of police and patrolmen, raises salaries and repeals the civil service provision relating to the police.

Despite the fact that the federal government has fixed 11 cents as a fair retail price for sugar, rumors are going about among merchants at Omaha and other Nebraska cities that sugar will wholesale at \$20 a hundred and retail twenty-two and a half cents a pound before the winter is over.

Walter Briggs, Seward county boy, who raised a \$5,000 litter of pigs under the direction of the State college of agriculture, added \$632 to his profits when he captured thirteen ribbons at the national swine show at Des Moines.

During the cold spell about ten days ago ground in and around Rushville froze so hard potato harvesting had to be stopped for a few days. When work was resumed it was found that about half of the tubers had been frozen.

About 450 students, representing virtually every county in the state, have enrolled for farming engineering courses at the State Agricultural college at Lincoln. New registrations are being added each Monday.

Water users in the irrigated districts of western Nebraska are raising such a cry for congress to appropriate more money for developing purposes it is being heard at Washington and action is looked for.

During a scuffle over a loaded revolver at Kearney, Art Meyers was shot and instantly killed. Witnesses say the victim was under the influence of liquor and had attempted to run amuck.

Only returned service men who are members of the Buffalo county post of the American Legion will be permitted to attend a big banquet and celebration at Kearney Armistice Day, November 11.

Six Lincoln boy scouts are to be presented with honor awards by the government as an acknowledgment of their efforts in obtaining subscriptions in the Victory Loan campaign.

A drop in the price of \$1 per hundred for hogs on stock markets means a loss of about \$8,000,000 to Nebraska raisers if applied to the annual production of hogs in this state.

Miss Ellen Harn, 91, pioneer woman suffrage leader of Kenesaw, made an airplane flight with Aviator Burgess Creeth. She is believed to be the oldest Nebraska woman to fly.

Corn huskers in Buffalo county will get eight cents a bushel for their work this fall, that price having been agreed upon by the farm bureau members.

Winter wheat in a number of counties in the South Platte district is well out of the ground and will go into the winter in splendid shape.

The city commissioners of Nebraska City granted an increase in pay to policemen. The chief will receive \$125 a month and the patrolmen \$100.

Fremont, it is said, is short more than 100 rental homes to house new residents who have moved into the city in the past few weeks.

The extension service of the State Agricultural college at Lincoln is now organizing junior baby beef clubs in various parts of the state.

The city council of Alliance has voted to purchase two square blocks in the business district for parking purposes.

The Buffalo County Live Stock association plans to expend \$15,900 for the erection of a sales pavilion at Kearney.

Ulysses is making preparation to add a number of extensions to her sewer system.

Miss Helen Haggard of St. Paul, who succumbed as the result of injuries received in an airplane accident in that city, is the first woman in Nebraska to meet death while flying.

The state supreme court has denied a writ of habeas corpus to Anson B. Cole, sentenced to electrocution in December for the murder of Mrs. Lulu Vogt in Howard county two years ago.

The legality of the action of the legislature calling a constitutional convention is held valid by the state supreme court. The election of delegates will be held November 4. The convention starts December 2.

In order that the school teachers of Schuyler may attend the convention of the State Teachers' association in Omaha, November 5, 6 and 7, the Board of Education will pay the railroad fare of all the city teachers to and from Omaha.

Director General Hines of the railroad administration has notified state officials that more than 1,800 new freight cars, built for eastern traffic, have been diverted to western Nebraska to transport surplus wheat to Omaha and beet sugar to eastern points.

A conference of mayors of Nebraska, state fair-price commissioner, chairmen and members of county fair-price committees and other state representatives are to convene at Lincoln November 27 at the request of Governor McKelvie, to consider plans for co-operation with federal officials in the campaign against the high cost of living. United States Attorney General Palmer will represent the government at the meeting.

Rex Randall of Gibbon, pilot of the airplane which crashed to the earth at St. Paul, instantly killing Lieut. Cameron Wright and causing injuries to Miss Helen Haggard which resulted in her death, is unable to explain the cause of the accident further than to say something was wrong with the mechanism of his plane. Randall escaped with a broken arm and bruise.

Of the \$25,000 appropriated by the legislature for the welcoming of Nebraska soldiers returning home from overseas service, but \$6,447.08 was used, according to the report of the committee which has been filed with Governor McKelvie. Most of the funds were expended in New York.

Benkleman citizens are getting anxious over the delay in the establishment of a fish hatchery in the town by the state. Fifteen thousand dollars was appropriated by the last legislature for the project, and so far nothing has been done.

A campaign is under way in this state, sponsored by the Nebraska branch of the League to Enforce Peace, to flood the senate at Washington with petitions urging immediate adoption of the League of Nations covenant.

Jefferson county has the distinction of having a woman deputy sheriff, said to be the only one in Nebraska. Mrs. Mary Criger has been appointed by Sheriff Tippin and has accepted the position which she is now holding.

Time lost in putting down paving at Wahoo, necessitated because of lack of material, was made up when a number of husky business men of the city volunteered their services to help the work along.

Articles of incorporation for the Consolidated Electric company, capitalized at \$10,000, have been adopted by business men and farmers of Virginia, Rockford and Holmesville, Gage county.

The boy scouts of Wahoo whose organization became demoralized during the war because of the enlistments of its scoutmasters, has recently been reorganized with a membership of fifty to begin with.

A baby international stock show will be held at the State Farm, Lincoln, the evening of Nov. 14. Following the exhibit the stock will be sent to Chicago for the big international show.

Nebraska ranks third for the best condition of all crops to September 1, 1919, according to a report issued by the Omaha Chamber of Commerce, Oklahoma and Texas outranked Nebraska.

It is rumored that J. E. Miller, mayor of Lincoln, is strongly considering the matter of entering the democratic primaries for the democratic nomination for governor.

At a big meeting of advertising men at Omaha the other day it was predicted that prices of clothing and shoes will greatly advance in the next few months.

The blanket permit system on grain shipments from country stations to the Omaha market was cancelled October 25. Individual permits are now required.

It is reported in financial circles at Lincoln that the Omaha-Lincoln and Beatrice interurban electric line will be completed next spring.

John Blazka, Cherry county farmer, was found guilty of second degree murder, for the killing of his wife, by a jury at Valentine.

Hog prices went as low as \$10 a hundred at the South Omaha market during the past week, the lowest since February, 1917.

Plans are being laid by a number of cities in this state for the observance of Armistice Day, November 11.

York is preparing for the State Christian Endeavor convention, which will be held there November 6 to 9.

Virtually all the soldiers stationed at Omaha following the disorders of September 28 have been withdrawn.

A twenty-acre patch of potatoes on the Peter Jensen farm, near Morrill, averaged 500 bushels to the acre.

Work on the construction of a \$50,000 sewer system at Wymore is to begin in a few days.

More than 5,000 teachers are expected to attend the convention of the Nebraska State Teachers' association at Omaha, November 5, 6 and 7.

Nebraska beet sugar refiners have indicated their intention to abide by the government ruling to sell sugar at the factory at 10 cents a pound.

Although fighting gamely throughout the entire contest the Nebraska university football squad went down to defeat before the husky Notre Dame aggregation at Lincoln by a score of 14 to 9, it being the second defeat administered to the Cornhuskers this season.

Several farmers near Auburn report potato crop yields of 400 bushels an acre.

Bonds to the amount of \$450,000 were voted at a special election at Norfolk to construct a new high school building.

A mineral company has leased several thousand acres of land along the range of hills which divides Scotts Bluff and Banner counties, on which will be employed a large force of men to remove a volcanic ash deposit, known as Fuller's earth, or pumice stone.